dispatch was received this evening, of which

the following is a copy:

CMMLAGO, May 19.—M. F. Collins, Observer office,
Troy: Will be ready to meet Sull fram within six or
seven weeks with hard gloves; winner to take 60
per cent., loser 40 per cent. Parnick Ryan.

Efforts will be made for an early meeting

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

What is Being Done With the Gun, the Bat, and Oar.

The following scores were made Saturday

by the members of the Capital City Gun club,

The 300 bicyclists in the district are fever

Isialy discussing the prospects for the regular summer meeting of the Capital City Bicycle clab, which occurs June 8 and 9 at the

Athletic park. There is now in course of construction a quarter mile track, made after the most approved style, and it promises to be equal to any other in this country. Prince, the champion bicyclist, is expected to ride in several of the races, of course handi-

capped. Other well known professionals are to be here, and the members of the club will ride for several handsome prizes, in addition

to the one offered by the morchants of the city. The marine band is to furnish the music, and 5,000 additional seats are to be

The joint committees of the four boat clubs

secured a beautiful landing a short distance above the Three Sisters and will have a float

in position this week. This club's eight-oared barge, the A. J. Dallas, has been out with a full crew several times during the week, and

the boys are delighted with the way she works. New uniforms have been ordered, and the blue and gold of the Institute will

soon be a familiar sight on the river.

Mr. Charles Fickling, of Georgetown, the
popular druggist, and a leading member of
the Columbia club, has notified Mr. Coon of

his intention of donating a handsome gold medal for competition among the district

scullers that have never won a race. This is intended to include seniors and juniors alike, and the entries will no doubt be large from

at fifteen clay pigeons, 15 yards rise

## SOUTHERN WAR SONGS.

An Interesting Article, Growing Out of a Maryland Discussion.

Some Examples of the Humor and Fire of Southern Verse.

Lyrics That Died With the Struggle of War and Others That Will Always Live.

"The Bounte Blue Flag," Albert Pike's "Dixie," and a Lot More.

A discussion of the once famous rebel was song of "Maryland, My Maryland," has led the Cincinnati Commercial Gazette to revive some of the songs that thrilled the hearts of both northern and southern soldiers as they went forth to siege and battle. The song referred to above was written by James R. Randall, now, we believe one of the editors of the Augusta Chronicle, and bears date of "Pointe Coupee, April 26, 1861." There are no such lines in it as these:

The tyrant's heel is on thy neck, Maryland, my Maryland! The first verse is as follows: The despot's heel is on thy shore,
Maryland!
His torch is at thy temple door,
Maryland!
Avenge thy patriotic gore
That flecked the streets of Baltimore,
And be the battle queen of yore,
Maryland! My Maryland!

Maryland at that time trembled in the balance between loyalty to the union and se-cession, and this song was intended to fire the hearts of the people, and win them over to the side of Virginia, which had just east her fortunes with the new confederacy. It immediately became popular, and was sung in every rebel camp from the Potomac to the Mississippi; but Maryland remained steadfast to the union, despite this powerful ap-

Peal.

The lyric quality of the southern songwriters during the war was conspicuous. Their songs were animated by the intensest local patriotism, and breathed the fiercest

spirit of war.

Albert Pike, who was once thought to be Albert Pike, who was once thought to be the coming great American poet, wrote a song quite as popular as "My Maryland," and adapted to the tune of "Dixie." The open-ing verse is stiring enough:

g verse is stiring enough:

"Southrons, hear your country call you!

Up! lest worse than death befall you!

To arms! To arms! To arms, in Dixie!

Lo! all the beacon fires are lighted,

Let all hearts be now united!

To arm! To arms! To arms! in Dixie.

Advance the fiag of Dixie!

Hurrah! hurrah!

For Dixie's land we take our stand,

And live and die for Dixie.

To arms! To arms!

And conquer peace for Dixie!

To arms! To arms!

And conquer peace for Dixie!

To arms! To arms!

And conquer peace for Dixie!

The heattle, of Manassas or Bull Run, as:

The battle of Manassas, or Bull Run, as it was known at the north, called out many stirring poems, calculated to renew the courage of the southern people, and fire them to renewed exertion for independence.

Among the most graphic of these, and with a certain grim humor in it was one entitled, "Flight of Doodles." A few sample verses

I come from old Manassas, with a pocket full of I killed forty Yankees with a single-barreled It don't make a niff-a-stifference to neither you Big yankee, little yankee, all run or die.

I saw old Fuss-and-Feather Scott, twenty miles away.

His horses stuck up their cars, and you ought to hear 'em neigh.

But it don't make a niff-a-stiffreance to neither Old Scott fied like the devil, boys; root, hog, or die.

And so on for quantity. "The Bonnie Blue Flag" was one of the most singable lyrics of the war, and was immensely popular, even in the north, by reason of its beautiful air. It tells how when "our rights were threatened" the cry arose for the Bonnie Blue Flag "that bears a single star;" and recites the secession of state after state, and conjudes as allowed.

Then cheer, boys, cheer; raise the joyous shout, For Arkanasa and North Carolina now have both gone out: And let another rousing cheer for Tennessea be

given,
The single star of the Bonnie Blug Flag has
grown to be eleven.

This fixes the date of this song. It was written after the secession of the eleven states had been completed and before there

states had been completed and before there had been much fighting.

Later on, when the Congress and Cumberland had been sunk by the rebel iron-clad Manassas, a poem appeared entitled "The Turtle," which, although highly humorous, did not have large circulation in the north, whose people failed to see any humor in the performance of a vessel that threatened the entire American neav with destruction. At entire American navy with destruction. At this distance of time, however, it will be better appreciated, and as it is most likely new to the majority of our readers, we repro-

THE TURTLE. Casar affoat with his fortunes, And all the world agog. Straining its oves
At a thing that lies
In the water, like a log.
It's a weasel! a whale!
I see its tall!
It'e a porpoise! a polywog!

Tarnation! its a turilo! And blast my bones and skin, My hearties, sink her, Or elso you'll think her A regular terror—pin.

The frigate poured a broadside! The bombs they whistled well, But—hit Old Nick With a sugar stick! They didn't phase her shell!

Pif. from the creature's larboard— And dipping along the water A builet hissed From a wreath of mist Into a Doodle's quarter.

Raff, from the creature's starboard— Rip, from his ugly snorter, And the Congress and The Cumberland Sunk, and nothing—shorter.

Now here's to you, Virginia, And you are bound to win By your rate of bobbing round And your way of pitchin' in— For you are a cross On the old sea-horse And a regular terror-pin.

The post discreetly dropped the subject there. It would not have been so flattering to southern pride to have told how immedistely after the sluking of the old wooden war ships the "Turtle" encountered a cheese box and had its shell so badly broken that it steamed into Norfolk harbor and never after

made a fighting demonstration.
Still later on in the war, and when Stone wall Jackson's name had become known the world over, appeared a poem, it cannot be called a song, that was exceedingly popular it was entitled "Stonewall Jackson's Way." It is descriptively as graphic as anything the war produced. Here is a passage from it:

We see him now—the old slouched hat, Cocked o'er his eye sakew. The abrewd, dry smile, the speech so pat, 30 oaim, so binnt, so true. The "Blue Light Elder" knows 'em well: Says he, "That's Banks—he's fond of shell; Lord maye his soul; we'll give him—" well, That's Stonewall Jackson's way.

Silence! ground arms! kneel all! caps off!
Old Blue Light's going to pray!
Strangle the fool that dares to scoff!
Attention! it's his way.
Appealing from his native sod,
In forma purpers to God—
"Lay bare thine armsistretch forth thy rod;
Amen." That's Stonewall's way.

But of all the poems of the war produced on either side nothing, in our judgment, equaled the poem entitled "Call All! Call All!" which appeared early war in the Rockingham (Va.) Register. It he attack the flery spirit of war. It was not an appeal to patriotic pride to fight for home and fireside. It has the wildcat and tiger apring in it, and we wenture that the hand that held the pen that wrote it handled some of upright sticks,

one of the "slaying machines" which it suggests as a means of defense. It is literally hot from the hell of hate. Here it is:

CALL ALL! CALL ALL! By "Georgia."

Whoop! the Doodles have broken loose, Roaring round like the very deuce!
Lice of Egypt, a hungry pack—
After em, boys, and drive em back.

Bull-dog, terrier, cur, and fice. Back to the beggariy land of ice; Worry 'em, bite 'em, scratch and tear, Everybody and everywhere. Old Kentucky is caved from under, Tennessee is split asunder, Alabama awaits attack, And Georgia bristles up her back.

Old John Brown is dead and gone! Still, his spirit is marching on— Lantern-jawed, and legs, my boys, Long as an ape's from Illinois!

Want a weapon? Gather a brick, Club or cudgel, or stone or stick; Anything with a blade or butt, Anything that can cleave or cut.

Anything heavy, or haid, or keen! Any sort of slaying machine! Anything with a willing mind, And the steady arm of a man behind,

Want a weapon? Why, capture one! Every Doodle has got a gou, Belt and bayonet, bright and new; Kill a Doodle, and capture (see / Shoulder to shoulder, son and sire! All, call all! to the feast of fire! hiother and maiden, and child and slave, A common triumph or a single grave.

WOMEN AT THE BAT.

A Novel Game of Base Ball Between Teams of Colored Girls.

Philadelphia Press. If poor, patient, melancholic Job could have seen the game of base ball played yesterday afternoon at Lamokin, Pa., between the Dolly Varden and the Captain Jinks clubs, of South Chester, he would have laughed heartily. The two clubs were composed exclusively of young colored women. Some of them were attired in ordinary female garb, but some were not. Three of the players in the Dolly Varden club wore salt bag "Jerseys" over their petticoats, with holes cut for the arms and legs. When they ran they looked like sugar cured hams on stilts, and when they remained motionless and perpendicular they most resembled Dore's pictures of Beelzebab. They ran like deer, threw the ball like a boy, with the right arm, and batted with lusty grace and free-dom from restraint that was, to say the least,

The grounds were decidedly rural. On one side was a scrap of woods, on another the railway, on the third a muddy brook, and fronting the field, on the remaining side, there ran a row of dilapidated wooden shanties, upon the roofs of which, as well as on the adjacent fences, were perched as mis-cellaneous an assemblage of colored folks as ever the sun looked down upon. The Dolly Varden club was the first to arrive, headed by Ella Harris, the captain and catcher. The Captain Jinks club was two minutes and Captain Jinks club was two minutes and thirty seconds late by the brass watch of Jennis Pepper, the umpire, a lank, dusky lass, who wore a striped calico dress, stockings to match, button shoes minus the buttons, and an old sunbonnet that looked as if it had been baked by the suns of 7,000 summers. Jennie tossed up a battered copper ponny.
The Dolly Vardens shouted "Heads!"
and, after a scramble, it was found
in the long green grass, heads up.
The first inning was comparatively uneventful. Fannie Watts, the catcher, nearly broke her back reaching for a zigzag foul. Ella Harris batted a ball over into the woods. The center fielder, in climbing the fence, tore her skirt, and in rummaging among the under-brush for the missing ball, ran a thorn in the big toe of her right foot, whereat she sat down on a stump and wept and delayed the game fifteen minutes hunting for the thorn. The Dolly Vardens were retired with two runs. The Captain Jinksespiain, Fannis Watts, went to the bat. She drove a high fly away out past the left fielder, and ran around the bases varies before it was recovered. The Dolly Vardens stoutly maintained that only one run could be scored, but Fannie Watts slapped the scorer in the face, and made her put down two runs. Then there was a squabble. Martha Mustard broke her bat banging it

against the home plate, and Anna Maria Jones sent a "grounder" skipping along the muddy grass to the pitcher, Ella Robertson. That industrious and agile young colored woman attempted to catch it with her apron, but it whistled through a hole that she didn't know was there and hit Philopena Morris, the short stop, on the nose. There were no other interesting episodes

until the final inning, the fifteenth. The Dolly Vardens had 63 runs and the Captain Jointy Varuers had so Joints and the Captain Jinks 62. The excitement was great. Fan-nie Watts knocked the ball into the water can, filling it with grease, and dirt, and grass, Jennie Pepper allowed Anna Maria Jones to hit at four balls, because the former de-clared the first ball was a foul, although she hadn't hit at it at all. There was souther somethic Philosepa Moyels rigned sne nadn't hit at it at all. There was another squabble. Philopens Morris ripped the ball on a high fly that went down the chimney of one of the houses. Hannah Kates knocked the first base mis-tress down and tore her salt-bag Jersey. Rose Feely hit the umpire in the head with the bat for calling her out on a foul. Maria the bat for calling her out on a foul. Maris Thompson ran around the course with the ball in her pocket to keep from being put out, and dared anybody to lay their hands on her. Susic Corbitt tripped and fell and ploughed up the ground with her dusky nose, filling her ears with grass. Martha Mustard ran away with the ball, and has not since been found, and the game was declared a draw, with sixty-seven runs scored on both sides. The match broke up in a free fight and will be contined some day next week. Both clubs walked back to Chester lively as hornets, a melancholy array of disjointed knuckles, ragged dresses, torn salt-bag "Jerseys," and bruised faces, dusty, exhausted, and looking like a band of "jubilee singers" on an off

SEXTON BEATS SCHAEFER.

Vignaux Defeats Carter and Makes the Second Best Average of the Tournament.

New York, May 20 .- Vignaux and Eugene Carter played in the cushion carrom tournament Saturday afternoon, Vignaux, who played strongly toward the end, rolled up 20 in fine style, and closed the game with a sur-prising fancy force carrom and the second best average of the tournament. The scores were: ical and lay.

Among other important matters the council indersed a motion for a Sunday school

Vignaux—14, 4, 0, 3, 40, 1, 3, 9, 6, 0, 1, 5, 30, 17, 0, 8, 0, 0, 2, 4, 3, 2, 2, 1, 2, 14, 11, 6, 11, 88, 2, 7, 3, 0, 13, 9, 6, 7, 1, 8, 3, 0, 1, 0, 0, 7, 27, 4, 1, 0, 1, 6, 2, 0, 6, 0, 0, 7, 3, 3, 3, 1, 4, 14, 13, 3, 2, 27, 1, 12, 0, 20, 50, 0, 20, 500. 4, 0, 20—500.
Carter—1, 2, 2, 8, 5, 6, 0, 9, 3, 0, 0, 2, 3, 3, 6, 17, 3, 0, 1, 1, 6, 1, 1, 6, 1, 1, 0, 1, 4, 2, 23, 0, 0, 1, 0, 19, 5, 7, 5, 0, 16, 10, 4, 2, 3, 2, 17, 1, 8, 4, 6, 4, 0, 0, 0, 0, 14, 9, 7, 1, 3, 8, 2, 1, 3, 5, 6, 5, 2, 6, 3, 0, 0, 2, 2, 5, 1, 0, 1, 3—326.
Viginaux's average, 6%; best run, 40; Carter's average, 4, 11-79; best run, 23. Time of game, 3)4 hours.

The best game of the tournament thus far was between Sexton and Schaefer, the former defeating the latter. The scores were:

Sexton was loudly cheered by the gallery

spectators at the close of the game.

The Big Bridge Illuminated.

NEW YORK, May 20.—The great bridge across the East River was illuminated by prize ring.

Richard K. Fox has sent to England for Springall, the heavy weight English boxer, who, it is said, knocked Mitchell down.

Pete McCoy has covered McClellan's \$250 forfeit, and is ready to make an agreement to electric lights for the first time last night. The people who chanced to be crossing the river on the ferry boats between 11 and 12 forfeit, and is ready to make an agreement to fight for \$1,000 a side and the middle weight championship of America.

Charley Jackson and The. Johnson salias "Nim," had a prize fight according to the rules of the London prize ring at Flushing on Thursday last. Both are colored. Jackson was declared the winner after a lightning fight of three rounds.

Trov, May 20.—Editor Collins of the Observer, a friend of Paddy Ryan wrote to the o'clock were surprised and interested by the cleatric display which stretched from city to city. The current of electricity, which was supplied from the Eim street station of the United States Electric Lighting company, was turned on about 11 o'clock under the personal supervision of Eugena T. Lynch, presisonal supervision of Eugene T. Lyuch, president of the company. It was designed to light 62 of the 76 lamps on the bridge, but not more than 30 gave satisfactory lights. Some of the lamps burned like large live coals at the end

THE EPISCOPALIANS.

Last Day of the Virginia Convention-The Report on the Question of the Church and the Colored Race.

Special Letter.
RICHMOND, VA., May 19.—The annual council of the Episcopal church; of Virginia reassembled this morning at 9:30 o'clock.

The resolution of Mr. Scott, as finally amended, was that the bishop appoint a committee to consider the subject of the division of the diocese and report to the next meeting of the council, which was adopted.

Rev. Dr. Peterkin in a brief and appro priate speech, presented a written testimonial of the clergy to the bishop, wishing him a pleasant voyage across the ocean and express ing wishes for return of health to him. Bishop Whittle with emotion made a brief speech of thanks. The finance committee reported in favor of

appropriating \$2,500 for the expenses of Bishop Whittle in his trip to Furope, and recommended that the salary of the assistant bishop be \$3,500 per annum, the payment of all his traveling expenses, and the payment

of his house rent, Rev. Dr. Gibson was elected as fourth clerical delegate to the general convention, and the conneil proceeded to elect two more lay delegates.

THE CHURCH AND COLORED BACK. The following was read:

The committee to whom was referred so much of the bishop's address as makes mention of the con-ference to be held at Sewanee in July next, con-cerning our church relations to the colored people in the United States, beg leave to report as fol-lows: ows: It seems unnecessary to your committee to say

rerence to be held at Sewanes in July next, concerning our church relations to the colored people in the United States, beg leave to report as follows:

It seems unnecessary to your committee to say anything to impress upon this council the seriousness of the question that is to be discussed in the conference referred to. This diocese, we boileve, is as fully alive as any in the land to the great duty which God has put upon the church in this country because of the great spiritual needs of the colored people. In the action of our councils for several years past, in the remarkable efforts and successes of Christian men and women in the instruction of adults and children in various parts of the diocese, in the important work carried on at Petersburg, we can see that our people feel and are endeavoring in some degree to meet this responsibility. But as the great question of our whole churche's duty will come before the general convention, and as our diocesse will be called upon to contribute something of suggession to the conference in July, we would give as the result of your cammittee's consideration the following opinion: We believe that the true, the only solution of our churche's relation to the colored race will be found in giving them the right, to a separate organization. They have selved, as we know, and it is natural that they should request separate congregational organization. The race difficulty, in a social point of view, is a real one. Toe colored people recognize it as clearly as the white, and are prepared to act accordingly. A white pastor to a colored congregation families, but there is no ann. free, unreally the congregation of the people: he may go in and organization demands and really needs. He may visit the house of the people: he may go in an organization demands and really needs. He may visit the house of the people: he may go in an organization from many that they are to congregation with the rest of the congregation will not a desire for more than the semblance of church relationship th

well being. T. G. Dashiell, Thomas W. Cain,

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journed sine die.

all the clubs.
Several boating men are anxious to make a four-oared gig race a feature of the next regatta.

McKinney, the champion of the district, will row at Newark May 30. He will also compete in the Lynchburg regatta, the Harlem river regatta, and at the Richmond meeting July 4.

Barr has deserted the Waverlys, and will hereafter fill the pitcher's position in the new Washington nine.

The Columbias defeated the High School

Walter Q. Hullihen, J. H. M. Pollard, William D. Gibson,

This report is signed by the three colored ministers on the committee, the committee stating that special regard was had to carry-

ing out the views of the colored members The report was unanimously adopted.

The committee on observing the Sabbath

The committee on coserving the sabsata day submitted a report accompanied by a resolution to the effect that the sense of the council was that legal measures should be taken to stop the running of the freight trains and distribution of local trains and recommending the diocese to take steps so as to secure legislation in this behalf. It was adonted

adopted.

The selection of lay delegates to the gen

eral convention was completed by the election of Messrs. P. E. Withers and B. Johnson Bar-

Rev. Dr. Grammer submitted an interest

ing and important report on the state of the church, which want of space prevents pub-

TESTIMONIAL TO BISHOP WHITTLE.

The testimonial to Bishop Whittle is as fol-

council of the diocese of Virginia, in Richmond assembled, have learned with great pleasure that our beloved bishop contemplates a voyage to Europe for the restoration of his health, impaired by labors beyond his strength in the service of the diocese. We

take occasion to express our high apprecia-tion of his fidelity to his duties as bishop, and our warm personal regard and affection for him. We feel that we are thus acting as

faithful representatives of the congregations throughout the length and breadth of the diocese, to which he has given his labors and

It was signed by about 225 members, cler

Christ church, Winchester, was selected as

the next place of meeting.

After religious services the council ad-

FACTS ABOUT FIGHTERS.

Jem Mace, Mitchell, Paddy Ryan, and

Other Sluggers-Their Movements.

Special Dispatch. NEW YORK, May 20 .- Jem Mace writes

from Sheffield, England, that the weather is

bad. He has heard of some good men, and if

he finds them rattlers will bring two of them,

a heavy weight and light weight, back with

Mitchell and his backer, George W. Moore set out on a tour Saturday to see the country

and expect to be gone two weeks. On their return Mr. Moore will back Mitchell for \$5,000 a side to fight Sullivan with the bare knuckles

ecording to the new rules of the London

the members of the eighty-eighth

nine Saturday, by a score of 26 to 11.

The Standards lowered their colors to the

The Standards lowered their colors to the Le Droit Park nine saturday. Score 26 to 17. The Invincibles defeated the Crescent Juniors on Saturday by a score of 27 to 7.

The Levels, of this city and the Muffers, of Prince George county, Md., played a game on Saturday on the latter's grounds. The latter won by a score of 19 to 10.

The Critics, a new nine, composed of Knowles, c.; Moore, p.; Young, 1b.; Rea, 2b.; Donn, 3b.; Barnes, s.s.; Miller, i. f.; Proctor, c. f., and Velhmeyer, r. f., will play the Stars on Wednesday, at Eighth and S streets.

c. t., and veinmeyer, r. t., will play the State on Wednesday, at Eighth and S streets. At the weekly match of the Potomac Arch-ers the following leading scores were made. Columbia—Mrs. W. A. Bartlett, hits, 57; score, 288. Miss F. Beale, 43—207. Mrs. Z. D. Butcher, 45-178.

D. Butener, 45:—178.
American.—W. A. Bartlett, 76:—372.
L. W.
Maxson, 69:—352.
W. Flint, 77:—342.
W. S.
Minnix, 56:—248.
J. Paret, 50:—228. The annual field day and picnic occurs

May 30.
William Steele, of Pennsylvania, and Charles Price, of New York, ran a ten mile race at the Manhattan athletic grounds on Saturday for \$500. The race was very exciting up to the seventh furlong of the last mile, when Price fainted and Steele won, doing the ten miles in fifty-two minutes forty and one-fifth seconds. This beats George Hazael's record by ten seconds. Much money changed hands on the result. BASE BALL SATURDAY.

The best played game at the polo grounds, in New York, for a month was that Saturday between the Metropolitan and Baltimore nines, as will be seen by the appended score. It was a battle between the pitchers of the teams, and as Keefe had the best support he

Earned runs-Metropolitan, 0; Baltimore, 0.

The league games Saturday were: In Clevand—Cleveland, 8; Philadelphia, 10. In Chicago—Chicago, 4; Boston, 1. In Buffalo—Buffalo, 7; New York, 4. In Detroit—Detroit, 7; Providence, 5.

The result of the American association

his strength, and which he has so constantly borne in his heart and in his prayers. The people who love him so loyally will join with games were: In Louisville—Cincinnati, 6; Louisville, 3. In Columbus—Columbus, 0; St. Louis, 4. In Philadelphia—Athletic, 11; us in their homes and in the church in com-mending him and his family to the protection of Him who holds the waters in the hollow of His hand, and we carnestly pray that he may be restored to us in renewed health and Allegheny, 8.

The exhibition game at Princeton between

the Princeton and Harvard University nines was marked by the poor fielding of the latter and the heavy batting of the former. Both nines had out their change batteries: The Harvard....... 0 0 0 2 0 0 1 1 0-4 Princeton....... 4 1 1 5 0 0 0 2 0-13

The Yale freshmen beat the Harvard freshmen Saturday. The store was: Harvard...... 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 Vale At Camden-Merritt, 16; Brooklyn, 1.

The latest arrivals at the river front in this city have been reported by Harbormaster Sutton, as follows: Schooner J. D. Bell, Capt. Budsworth, 20 cords wood for Clark & Given; schooner Southern Beauty, Capt. Landin, 42 cords wood for H. Tumety; schooner Oliver Underwood, Capt. Kendrick, 28 cords wood for A. G. Johnson & Bros.; schooner H. C. Purdy, Capt. Simmons, 33 cords wood for J. O. Carter. AT GEORGETOWN.

Arrived Sunday, May 20, schooners William D. Marvel, O'Keefe, from Boston; Josie F. Burt, Burt, from Providence; William R. Walker, Rogers, from Allyn's Point, Conn.; William Mason, Chase, from Fall River; Helen Haserouch, —, from New York; Rodney Parker, Parker, from New Haven; Charles A. Briggs, —, from Providence. CANAL MATTERS.

Twenty boats loaded with coaf arrived at Twenty boats loaded with coal arrived at this place on Saturday, and the following left for points above: Dr. A. Shanks, Dr. O. A. Schindell, J. W. Burke, George Wallis, Thomas Dean, Ellen Brook, T. K. Stowart, Excelsior, C. Darrow, F. M. Offutt, Round Top, H. M. Talbott, A. P. Mayfield, K. Hassett, John Miller, Omega, Johnnie M., Dakota, Ethe River, Datay Ann. A. Greenleau.

Elbe River, Daisy Ann, A. Greenleau. KEYSER, W. VA .- Dr. W. D. Ewin, says: scree, a friend of Paddy Ryan, wrote to the latter on Wednesday, asking him whether he would be willing to meet Sullivan again, A cellent tonic."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

To the Editor. Str: In your paper of this morning I ob-serve an article signed "L," which might have been more appropriately signed "Liar," reflecting upon my integrity as a republican and charging me with the purpose of trading off the colored vote of the country for office. I need not tell you, Mr. Editor, that no man is safe in these days from the attacks of anonymous faisifiers, and you will bear me witness that I seldom notice such attacks. If witness that I seldom notice such attacks. If my record of more than forty years of service to the colored race does not protect me from the vile insinuations of such writers as "I," nothing that I can now say will silence them. What the convention, to the call of which my name is attached, may or may not do, it is no business of mine to predict. I can only speak for myself now and here, I can only speak for myself now and here, that I expect to go into that convention and come out of it the same inflexible republican that I have ever been, and I shall be very much surprised if I find myself alone in this respect. I hope, Mr. Editor, that your readers will not attach more importance to the clamor against holding the convention than it really deserves. There are traitors and informers among all oppressed and unfortunate people. Colored men are not an exception to the rule. There are those among them who are never doing anything for the race themselves, but are ready to scream themselves hearse in opposition when anything is attempted by others. I am not at all surprised when some of those for whom I have lived and labored lift their heels against me. Since the days of Moses such has been the fate of all men earnestly endeavoring to

me. Since the days of Moses such has been the fate of all men earnestly endeavoring to serve the oppressed and unfortunate. But this infirmity of oppressed peoples, just now conspicuous in the conduct of the opponents of the proposed national convention, will not deter me, or those associated with me, from going forward with the convention in quesmusic, and 5,000 additional seats are to be erected to accommodate the large crowd.

It is the desire of all our boating men to have the Potomac regatta occur here the week following the national regatta at Newark. The medals for the four principal contests are assured. Mr. Robert Leding gives the medal for senior scullers, Mr. L. H. Stinemetz for junior scullers, Mr. John W. Thompson for the senior fours, and Mr. Charles H. Fickling for the scullers who have never won of the proposed national convention, will not deter me, or those associated with me, from going forward with the convention in question.

I agree with Daniel Webster, that the right to canvass the policy of public men and public measures is a homebred right and a fire-side privilege, belonging to private life as a right and public life as a duty; that it is never to be more inflexibly and defiantly asserted than when it is called in question. Gold help the poor colored race in America, when they may not be trusted to meet in convention in the open light of day with the argus eye of the press upon them, a press that will carry their every utterance to the remotest parts of the country. If there were anything secret, underhanded, ominous or malign in the proposed convention I could better understand why those calling it should be repudiated and held up to scorn and reprobation. But as the matter now stands I can see at the bottom of this opposition only groundless apprehension on the part of some of our white friends, and every ambition and jealousy on the part of most of the colored men who are just now gaining a little notoriety by assailing the motives of better men than them selves. Respectfully,

FIREDERICK DOUGLASS.

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Fickling for the scullers who have never won
a race. Nine medals are needed for the eight
oared event, and these will be secured by the
formation of a pool of nine gentlemen,
Messrs. H. D. Barr and George W. Co:hran
and the Bradbury Piano company having
already signified their intention of giving a will meet at the Riggs house to-night. The delegates are: Aualostans, Messrs. Patro, Morgan, and McKenney; Carroll Institute, Johnson, Murphy, and Clarkson; Columbias, Gibson, Davis, and Stinemetz; Potomacs, Johnstone, Martin, and Zappone. The presidents of the clubs are ex officio members of the committees. The meeting, under ordi-nary circumstances, will not last over one hour, and it will be the desire of all to do that which will best promote the interests of the Potomac river clubs.

The Carroll Institute Rowing Club has

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 18, 1883. The writer of the letter to which this is a eply says he has "received a good many letters complimenting Prof. Greener for sound-ing the alarm," &c. I think this remark throws some light upon the authorship of the letter, and is a little amusing withal. How happens it that Mr. "L" is in receipt of let-ters of thanks to Prof. Greener? What business has be with Mr. Greener's letters, or of ness has ne with Mr. Greener's letters, or of letters of thanks intended for Prof. Greener's Is it not possible that the explanation is about this, that Mr. "I." and Prof. Greener are identical; that they are one and the same person, and that when Mr. "I." compliments person, and that whon are C compriments Prof. Greener it is simply Prof. Greener using your columns to compliment himself, while he would fain make the public believe he is being complimented by some other person, which is after all a very cheap compliment?

THE FALL OF THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM. To the Editor.

During the past year an astronomical story has been going the rounds of the press to the effect that the "Star of Bethlehem" reap-pears and shines in great splendor once in 300 years; that it is located in constellation of "Cassiopela:" that it reappears suddenly and quite as suddenly recedes to an invisible dis-tance, and that now is the time to expect it

thate, and the how is the time to expect to again return to view.

Why the "Star of Bethlehem"—" the star in the east"—should be located in a constellation so far north as "Cassiopeia," it is impossible to say. One would suppose that if there was such a star that it should rather worth. appear in a constellation not further north than that of "Virgo." But then there is no accounting for the many queer things in the

On the morning of the eighteenth of May I was awakened by some spirit of good or evil. My window commands a view of the east, and to the north sufficiently to see the "Great

and to the north sufficiently to see the "Great Bear," "Cassiopeia," &c.

The clock had struck 3. I laid looking at the heavens. All of a sudden, about three minutes past 3, there appeared in the north-east a bright meteor-like star, which left be-hind it a peculiar whip-like track—much resembling "chain lightning." For a better view I arose and looked out of the window. The sky was clear, and when the bright The sky was clear, and when the bright meteor-like star had shown the regular stars of "Cassiopeia" were shining with their ac-customed brightness.

The question was, what was it I saw? It was unlike a meteor, unlike a star; yet more like a falling star than a meteor. The thought occurred to me, was it not some phenomenon like this that gave rise to tha idea of the sudden appearance and disappear ance of a star of intense brightness in this constellation? Philo,

Tribute to a Teacher's Memory.

Sunday afternoon was the occasion of the assembling of the faculty and pupils of the Washington Collegiate institute and a large number of friends of Miss Lucy S. Crandell at Oak Hill cemetery to commemorate the anniversary of her death. This gifted lady taught in the institute merely from the desire to increase her influence for good and to be more intimately associated with her friend, Mrs. Z. D. Butcher; that she was much followed is testified by this yearly gathering at her tomb. The grave was completely covered with

The grave was completely covered with flowers, and the exercises were of a most interesting character, consisting of a presentation by Miss Florence Rose, "The Bright Forever," sung by the school; a memorial poem written by Miss Crandell, and touchingly read by her mother; an original poem by Miss Marion Antisell, "He and She," read by Col. Weston Flint; "Nearer my God to Thee," sung by the school, and a few well chosen words of acknowledement from her father.

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